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SUBJECT: TRANSFER OF SINGLE INTEGRATED MILITARY TELE-COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM (SIMTS) ASSETS TO THE GVN

REF: USDAO SAIGON 090903Z JAN 75

1. EMBASSY MAY PROCEED WITH THE TRANSFER TO GVN OF US-TITLED SIMTS FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT, FOR WHICH EMBASSY BECAME ACCOUNTABLE USG AGENCY UNDER 10 NOVEMBER 1972 TRANSFER AGREEMENTS BETWEEN MACV AND EMBASSY.

2. EMBASSY IS AUTHORIZED TO MAKE TRANSFER AS FOREIGN EX-

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FEDERAL PROPERTY AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES ACT OF 1949 (40 USC 512). TRANSFER AGREEMENT SHOULD SPECIFY SUBSTANTIAL BENEFITS ACCRUING TO USG IN EXCHANGE FOR TRANSFER, I. E., CONTINUED ACCESS TO SYSTEM, WITH FREEDOM FROM FURTHER RESPONSIBILITIES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF TRANSFERRED FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT, WHICH RESPONSIBILITIES ARE ASSUMED BY GVN. SEE 6 FAM SECTION 233 FOR GUIDANCE RE FURTHER DETAILS OF TRANSFER. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, NO CHARGE TO DAV IS REQUIRED.

3. WITH RESPECT TO EVENTUAL CIVILIANIZATION OF THE SIMTS,

WE RECOGNIZE THAT TRANSFER OF THE SAIGON AREA DIAL TELEPHONE EXCHANGE (TIGER DTE), AS OUTLINED IN REFERENCE MESSAGE, MAY BE INITIAL STEP WHICH COULD LEAD TO EVENTUAL CIVILIANIZATION OF THE ENTIRE SIMTS UNDER THE VIETNAMESE TELECOMMUNICATIONS AGENCY (FTA). THEREFORE, AS A MATTER OF POLICY, THE USG POSES NO OBJECTIONS TO THE ABSORPTION OF THE ENTIRE SIMTS INTO A SINGLE INTEGRATED TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM UNDER THE VTA PROVIDED THAT ESSENTIAL RVNAF COMMUNICATIONS ARE SATISFIED. USG GUIDANCE AND ASSISTANCE FOR TE
FORMATION OF SUCH A CIVILIAN SYSTEM WILL BE A STATE/AID RESPONSIBILITY.

4. REQUEST CONTINUED CLOSE COORDINATION WITH CINCPAC AND USDAO SAIGON TO INSURE EMBASSY AND DOD COMMUNICATIONS REQUIREMENTS ARE ACCOMMODATED IN ANY EVENTUAL VTA SYSTEM AT NO ADDITIONAL COST TO THE USG.

5. DOD CONCURS. INGERSOLL

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